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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2002, be extended for a period of 4 month(s) from April 15, 2002 to and including August 15, 2002.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$720.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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